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Oswaldo ALBORNOZ Peralta, a member of the Executive Committee of the Communist Party of Ecuador (PCE), stated recently that another PCE Congress would be held in the near future and that some "camaradas viejos" (long-time Communists) would be leaving the Party at that time. ALBORNOZ did not specify the time or place for the coming sessions.

25X1A [REDACTED] Comment. The last PCE Congress was held in Ambato in July 1952, at which time Ricardo PAREDES, former secretary-general of the PCE, was read out of the Party.

25X1X [REDACTED] Comment. ALBORNOZ gave the impression that a considerable purge of Party ranks was being contemplated. Party members, other than ALBORNOZ, have mentioned Cuenca as a possible site for the congress.

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